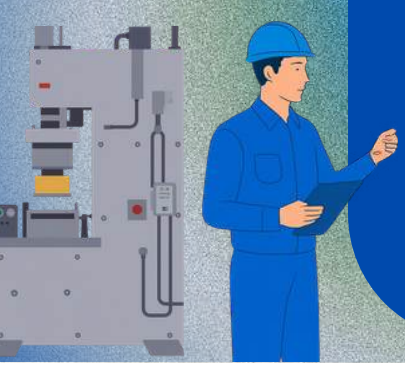

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Introduction

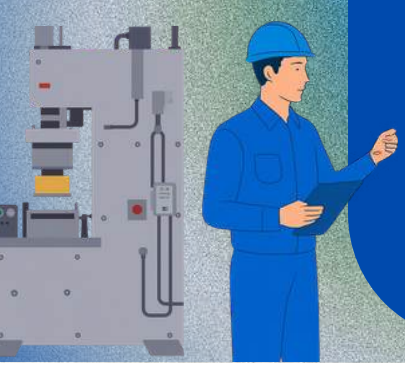
Predictive Maintenance (PdM) is transforming modern manufacturing by shifting maintenance strategies from reactive and preventive approaches to data-driven, condition-based interventions. By leveraging IoT sensors, advanced analytics, and machine learning, organisations can predict equipment failures before they occur—minimising downtime, reducing costs, and extending asset life.
For manufacturers operating in competitive and high-throughput environments, PdM is no longer experimental—it is a strategic necessity.

Why Predictive Maintenance Matters

- Reduce Unplanned Downtime by up to 30–50%
- Lower Maintenance Costs by 10–40%
- Increase Asset Lifespan through optimized usage
- Improve Safety & Compliance
- Enhance Production Reliability

Maintenance Maturity Model

Stage	Description	Limitations
Reactive	Fix after failure	High downtime, costly
Preventive	Scheduled maintenance	Inefficient, over-maintenance
Condition-Based	Monitor asset condition	Limited predictive capability
Predictive	Data-driven forecasting	Requires digital maturity
Prescriptive	AI-driven optimization	Advanced integration needed



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Key Challenges in Adoption

- Legacy equipment with limited connectivity
- Data silos across systems
- Lack of skilled personnel
- High upfront investment concerns
- Unclear ROI metrics

Core Capabilities & Technology Stack

Data Acquisition Layer

- IoT sensors (vibration, temperature, pressure, acoustic)
- PLC and SCADA data integration
- Edge devices and gateways

Outcome: Continuous, real-time equipment monitoring

Connectivity & Infrastructure

- Industrial IoT (IIoT) platforms
- Secure network architecture (edge-to-cloud)
- Data ingestion pipelines

Outcome: Reliable and scalable data flow

Data Management & Processing

- Time-series databases
- Data cleansing and normalization
- Contextualization with asset metadata

Outcome: High-quality, structured datasets

Analytics & Intelligence

- Machine learning models for anomaly detection
- Failure prediction algorithms
- Root cause analysis tools

Outcome: Actionable insights and early warnings

Visualization & Decision Support

- Dashboards and alerts
- Maintenance scheduling recommendations
- KPI tracking (MTBF, MTTR, OEE)

Outcome: Informed and timely decision-making

Integration with Enterprise Systems

- CMMS (Computerised Maintenance Management Systems)
- ERP systems
- Digital twins and simulation platforms

Outcome: Closed-loop maintenance workflows

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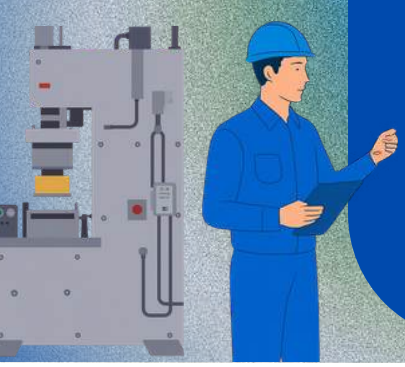

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Readiness Assessment Framework

1. Asset Criticality Assessment
- Identify high-impact equipment
- Rank assets based on failure consequences
- Prioritise PdM implementation

2. Data Readiness Evaluation
- Availability of historical data
- Sensor coverage and quality
- Data accessibility and ownership

Checklist:
- Do you have at least 6–12 months of historical data?
- Are sensors calibrated and reliable?
- Is data stored in a centralised system?

3. Technology Readiness
- Existing automation level
- IT/OT integration maturity
- Cloud vs on-premise capabilities

4. Organisational Readiness
- Skilled workforce (data engineers, reliability engineers)
- Cross-functional collaboration (IT + Operations)
- Leadership alignment and sponsorship

5. Process Readiness
- Defined maintenance workflows
- Standard operating procedures (SOPs)
- Incident response mechanisms

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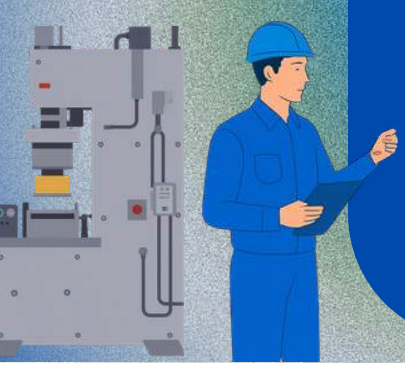

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Best Practices for Success

Start Small, Scale Fast
Avoid large upfront investments—validate ROI through pilots.

Focus on High-Value Assets
Target equipment with high downtime cost or failure risk.

Ensure Data Quality
Garbage in = garbage out. Prioritise clean, reliable data.

Bridge IT and OT
Align engineering, operations, and IT teams.

Invest in Change Management
Train teams and build a data-driven culture.

Key KPIs to Track

- **Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF)**
- **Mean Time to Repair (MTTR)**
- **Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE)**
- **Maintenance Cost per Asset**
- **Downtime Reduction %**

Conclusion

Predictive Maintenance is a cornerstone of smart manufacturing. Organisations that assess readiness systematically and implement PdM strategically will unlock significant gains in efficiency, reliability, and competitiveness.

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